

REMARKS

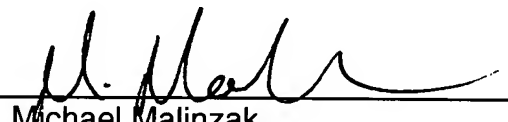
Claims 2, 6-17, 20-24, 26-29, and 35-37 remain pending in the present application. Claim 18 has been cancelled. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the allowed claims in view of the supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449 filed herewith.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that the present application remains in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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